

Amendments to the Specification

Please amend the paragraph on page 14, line 23, to page 15, line 7, as follows:

“Compounder” or “extruder” as used herein refers to an apparatus as depicted in Figure 4 as a preferred embodiment or a single or double-screw extruder as e. g. provided by ThermoHaake, Karlsruhe, Germany. The compounder can be designed as a batch or a continuous extruder. For laboratory purposes the compounder can be designed as a cylinder and plunger system wherein the cylinder has an open upper bore and an open lower bore. The lower bore is smaller than the upper bore and is about 0.2 mm to about 1.4 mm, preferably about 0.4 mm to about 1.2 mm, most preferably 0.8 mm at the lower end. Single amphiphiles or a lipid mass can be extruded through this open end by applying pressure force to the plunger. Extrusion can also be carried out by a screw-extruder through an extrusion plate with one ore more bores. The extruder can be constructed in a way that allows recirculation of the extrudate within the extrusion chamber before extrusion through the nozzle. The compounder works with a low pressure of ~~0,2~~ 0.2 bar to 100 bar, preferably ~~0,5~~ 0.5 bar to 10 bar and most preferably 1 to 6 bar and at a temperature of about 5°C to about 100°C, preferably 20°C to about 70°C and most preferably of about 25°C to about 50°C. A scale up of the compounder to any size is possible.